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Keep this and pass the numbers on to your dispatcher.
All El Nino related.

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El Niño is Here.

Dear Friends:

With El Niño upon us, I wanted to make sure you had the latest information and tips on how to prepare and react to El Niño's impacts. Through motions that I introduced, and the efforts of my staff working directly with City departments, several amendments have been added to the City's El Niño Emergency preparation plan. They include:

- Bureau of Sanitation & Bureau of Street Services now coordinating storm drain AND street cleanups to limit the effects of debris clogging drains during storm. We continue to ask residents to report Bulky Items as soon as they see them to their local Council District 14 office, 311 or Bureau of Sanitation directly at (800) 773-2489.
- Also, our City's 311 system now includes several 24-hour options to deal with storm

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See below, for details on these and other helpful tips, including where to get sandbags. We need the public's assistance to weather these storms and I thank you for yours!

José

Get Your Sandbags at Local Sites

The Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) is working closely with the Department of General Services and has ordered more than 200,000 ready-to-fill sandbags, made available at all Neighborhood Fire Stations (Please note that there is a 25-bag limit per household).

LAFD is also working with the Bureau of Street Services and has ordered more than 250 tons of sand as of October 1st, made available at several fire stations and convenient community locations listed below.

Councilmember Huizar has ensured that sand bags and sand are also available at his three field offices in Boyle Heights, Eagle Rock, and El Sereno. Please note that sand is limited and is distributed on a first-come, first-served basis. We recommend you call first to check availability, and then pick up sand at any of the Council District 14 locations below.

Boyle Heights Council District 14 Office, 2130 E. 1st St., (323) 526-9332

Civic Center/Bunker Hill 108 North Fremont Ave, (213) 485-6203

Eagle Rock Council District 14 Office, 2035 Colorado Blvd., (323) 254-5195

Cypress Park 1410 Cypress Ave, (213) 485-6244

El Sereno Council District 14 Office, 4575 Huntington Dr South, (213) 485-6247

For more locations and information, please visit LAFD.org.

311 is Now Open 24 Hours for El Niño

311 is now offering 24-Hour El Niño related service thanks to a motion by Councilmember Huizar requesting such service be available during expected heavy storms. Call 311 if you see or experience any El Niño related issues, such as power outages, downed powerlines, blocked storm drains, flooding or traffic lights going out.

To call departments directly:

- **Department of Water & Power** (213) 367-9869 (electrical outages, downed power lines)
- **Bureau of Sanitation** (800) 974-9794 (blocked storm drains, roadway flooding, trees down, mudslides)
- **Department of Transportation** (213) 485-4184 (to report traffic signal problems)

Get a Kit

A good emergency kit is a collection of supplies that you, your family, and your pets might need during a disaster. Key items to include in an emergency kit include: Food and water to last you and your family 72 hours; First aid supplies; Any medical supplies you might need, like medications and spare eyeglasses. You should also include a flashlight with extra batteries in your emergency kit in case you lose power during a winter storm. You can find most things you'd want in an emergency kit around your home. Take a minute to gather them together to store in a safe place, so that you're ready for any emergency. For more information on how to build your emergency kit, visit ReadyLA.org

Get Alerts

Sign up for the storm alert system that sends you text messages from the City of LA about weather alerts.

Stay ahead of the storm. Get emergency alerts from the City of LA via text message, voice message, or email with Notify LA. Register using the form [here](#).

Get Pets Ready

Get pets prepared with these simple tips:

- Make sure that your pets have current City of Los Angeles Licenses. You can get a new license or renew your dog's license online! [Click here to get started](#).
- Micro-chip your pets, and verify information at least once a year! You can get your pets micro-chipped at any of the six L.A. City shelters (no appointments necessary).
- Remember to include pet food, water, leashes, medications, and treats in your emergency kit.
- Keep copies of your pets vital documents, and include the pets in your emergency plans.
- Your companion animals should have up-to-date vaccinations.

To learn more about pet preparedness, check out [Los Angeles Animal Services and their Emergency Preparedness for Your Pets tip sheet](#).

Get Ready On the Go

Be ready for emergencies like El Niño in the car and on the go.

With a few simple steps, you can be ready to ride out the storm where Angelenos spend most of their time: the car.

- Check windshield wipers, tires, and brake pads. If they're looking worn, it's time to replace them.
- El Niño rains can cause flooding and mudslides that might block your normal route home. Plan alternate routes so you don't end up stuck.
- It's good to have supplies in your vehicle like a blanket, good shoes, snacks, and water. [Learn more about emergency kits](#).
- Have a plan for how to communicate with friends and family if you're not home during an emergency. [Learn more about emergency plans](#).
- Register for emergency alerts so you're never caught by surprise.

In LA, our cars are like a second home. Be prepared wherever you are: at home, at work, and in the car.

To learn more, visit [ElNiño.la](#) or call your local Council District 14 Field Office.

DTLA 213-473-7014

Boyle Heights 323-256-9332

El Sereno 323-226-1646

Northeast LA 323-254-5295

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